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CUSTOMER NUMBER 22,852

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Tsuyoshi ARUGA et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1791
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Application No.: 10/563,131)	Examiner: Nickolas R. HARM
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Filed: May 30, 2006)	Confirmation No.: 8038
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National Stage of International Application)	
No. PCT/JP2004/009160 under 35 U.S.C.)	
371, for JOINING METHOD AND JOINING)	
DEVICE)	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed October 2, 2009, the period for response
extending to January 2, 2010, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.